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## REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

### BRITISH TRADE IN CHINA.

#### The Present Situation.

London, December 30. In an article in the Board of Trade Journal on prospects of British trade in China, Mr. H. H. Fox, who is about to return to Shanghai after "six months" in Britain, and who recently completed a tour of the principal commercial and industrial centres of Britain and Ireland, says he found an unexpected degree of interest being taken by British manufacturers in China, and there is far more business doing therewith than he had realised. He suggests that in view of the present development of China's foreign trade and increasing competition by America, Japan and other countries in the Far East, British manufacturers should take steps to get into closer touch with the Chinese markets. He hopes that the practice of sending travellers to China will be continued, but he opines that the best channel for selling British goods in China is through the British merchant firms who have their own houses in London or Manchester and branches at least in Shanghai, Hongkong, and preferably Tientsin, and Hankow also. He was much impressed with the unanimity with which firms in Britain testified to the commercial honesty of the Chinese and the satisfactoriness of business done with China. He believes his praise fully deserved as far as the older generation of Chinese merchants in the Treaty Ports is concerned and hopes the younger generation will realise the importance of maintaining this high reputation. But credit is largely due to the British merchant houses in China. Mr. Fox does not recommend dealing direct with native firms in China at present, owing to practical disadvantages. Mr. Fox emphasises that in the case of China immediate results must not be expected, and manufacturers must be prepared to pay for their footing, but China's foreign trade is steadily growing and an extraordinary expansion is possible within the next few years, given internal order and an extension of the railway system. He therefore strongly urges the British manufacturer's attention to China. Cheapness has hitherto been the determining factor in the sale of foreign goods in China. Undoubtedly British trade has been greatly handicapped by the comparatively high prices of British goods, but it is certain that as the industrial development of China proceeds and the export trade increases, the Chinese will want better-class goods, thus benefiting British trade. He is certain that, given equal opportunity in China and a steady output at home, the British need not fear foreign competition.

### FRENCH SOCIALIST CONGRESS.

#### A Serious Split.

Tours, December 30. Two groups walked out when the vote at the Socialist Congress adhering to Moscow was announced. The Congress continues, but there is a split, three Conferences meeting simultaneously.

The Paris newspapers, commenting on the split, point out that the Communists have merely completed the work of dis-integration initiated last May since when the memberships of the Sino Trade Union Federation have fallen from 292,000 to 149,000 and the General Confederation of Labour from 1,500,000 to 600,000.

Rumours of a split in the British Labour Party were denied at the headquarters in London to-day. An official stated that the present tendency was towards greater unity and that repeated application by some British Bolsheviks to enter the party had been rejected.

### KRASSIN RECALLED.

#### Britain Accused of Evasion.

London, December 30. A Moscow wireless message says M. Krassin has been recalled to consult the Soviet regarding "Britain's evasions of obligations as regards trading with Russia."

### DEVELOPING FAR EASTERN TRADE.

#### Big New Corporation Formed.

London, December 30. The Evening News understands that 200,000 ten per cent. Income Bonds of £5 each of the Amalgamated Trading and Industrial Corporation, Limited, will shortly be issued. They are guaranteed as regards capital by the Sun Life Insurance Company. The Corporation itself has a capital of £2,000,000 in ordinary shares of £1 each. It proposed to associate itself with Chinese capital and enterprise for the development of trade and industry in the Far East. The Corporation will be registered in Jersey so that Chinese capitalists participating will not have to pay British income tax, excess profits duty, or corporation tax.

### INTER-VARSITY SPORT.

#### American Team Beaten.

London, December 30. At Redshamton, in the seven and half miles Inter-Varsity Cross-County Race, the combined Oxford and Cambridge team beat Cornell (America) by 26 to 29 points.

The individual placings were:—McInnes (Oxford), time 42 minutes 9.45 seconds; Parker (Cornell) 42 minutes 44 seconds; McDermott (Cornell) 43 minutes 4.3/5 seconds; Montague (Oxford) 43 minutes 14 seconds; Marsh (Cambridge) 43 minutes 15 seconds. Each side ran seven men, but only five were counted in the race.

### DOUBLE "MOVIE" WEDDING.

New York, December 30. A double "movie" wedding was celebrated by two famous film stars. Dorothy Gish and Constance Talmadge were married to James Rennie, the well-known actor, and John Philo, a Greek tobacco planter, respectively.

## REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

### RENEWED POLITICAL ACTIVITY.

#### No New Irish Developments.

London, December 30. Political activity is reflected in the fact that there have been four meetings of the Cabinet since Christmas, this breaking all records. There were two meetings yesterday, at which, besides unemployment and pressing departmental matters, the Ministers discussed Ireland in the presence of General Macready. It is understood that reports were submitted showing that steady progress is being made in restoring order.

No fresh developments are reported in connection with the Irish peace overtures. It is pointed out in official circles that the next move lies with the Sinn Fein Parliamentarians.

Six men and two women were charged at Liverpool for conspiracy in connection with the burnings on November 27. They were remanded after a statement by a representative of the Public Prosecutor that the damage amounted to over a million.

#### GERMANY'S EVASION.

#### Definite Action Threatened.

London, December 30. A diplomatic correspondent of the Evening Standard is authoritatively informed that unless the German Government immediately undertakes by definite action to meet her disarmament obligations France will be empowered to act. While the British Government is generally satisfied at the way in which Germany has met her obligations regarding her regular army, all the Allies are united in sympathy with the protests against the formidable self-defence organisations which the German Government declares itself unable to disband or control.

#### EMPIRE LEAGUE.

#### Queen Alexandra's Message.

London, December 30. Queen Alexandra in a message to the League of Empire, sends best wishes for a very happy and successful New Year to all who are helping to forge a strong Empire bond between teachers and schools throughout the Empire. She points out that under the League's scheme overseas teachers are now coming to the Mother Country for a year's sojourn and while home other teachers are visiting the younger lands of the Empire to gain inspiration and experience.

#### GREECE AND THE ALLIES.

#### Profession of Sincere Friendship.

London, December 30. Reuter understands that the Greek reply to the Entente regarding the recall of King Constantine warmly declares that the friendship of Greece towards the Allies has never been greater than to-day. It points out that Constantine is the rightful King and he has never abdicated. He has now been recalled by the overwhelming vote of the Greek people. The reply adds that it is the most fervent desire of Greece to co-operate in the fullest manner with the Allies.

#### ORIENTAL STUDIES.

London, December 30. The report of the Governing Body of the School of Oriental Studies, London, for the eleven months ending July 31 shows a roll of 539 students, of whom 145 were women, compared with 265 and 166 last year. Instruction has been given in 31 Oriental and African languages. The largest demand has been for Arabic, but the students in Chinese and Hindustani have shown a marked increase.

#### THE DAVIS CUP.

Auckland, Dec. 30. In the Davis Cup Competition, Tilden (America) beat Brookes (Australia), and Johnston (America) defeated Patterson (Australia).

#### BOXING.

New York, December 30. At New Jersey, Freddy Welsh technically knocked out Willy Green in the fourth round. Green refusing to continue on the plea of an injured shoulder.

#### TO-DAY'S CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

Peking, December 30. The Government has complied with the Diplomatic Corps' request to commence the 10 per cent increased duty on 11th March, instead of 1st January.

A mandate appoints Luk Wing-ting as Defence Commissioner of Kwangsi with Tam Ho-ming as Tuchun and Li Ching-sing as Civil Governor.

Shanghai, December 30. A would-be assassin entered the residence of Li Ken-yuen and Mu Wing-sun on the 29th and intended to murder them both, but they were out. One of their secretaries was wounded.

#### EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

#### CALIFORNIA AND ALIENS.

London, December 30. Reuter learns that in the negotiations between Japan and America the former is asking for equal treatment of Japanese with other aliens in the United States and is prepared to guarantee that no more Japanese shall be sent to America upon assurances of equal treatment for the Japanese at present in the United States. It is stated that California is considering countering this request by forbidding all aliens holding land, thus placing them on the same footing as the Japanese, who are already prohibited. If such a plan is contemplated it is no part of the negotiations with Japan and the negotiations have not reached a definite stage.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

### MODERN COAL MINERS.

London, Dec. 29. The coal mining statistics show that the workers received unprecedented wages. It was estimated in August that the annual pay, including表面, was £220. The effect of the increase in wages is reflected in the high cost of production, which was 3s. 3d. a ton embrace all costs. The average wage cost was 2s. 3d. The recent agreement for an advance of wages will probably add two shillings a ton to the wage cost. Now there are two hundred thousand more men and boys employed than in 1913. The output has exceeded five million tons a week during the past month but, despite a large increase, the total is still substantially under that of 1913, accounted for by the reduction in working hours.

### BRITISH DEAD IN GALLIPOLI.

London, Dec. 29. The sad and difficult task of collecting the British dead in Gallipoli is practically completed. A trail of cemeteries has been laid along the Straits which will, for evermore, be visible to all passing ships. It is estimated that thirty-six thousand were killed and sixteen thousand buried on the Peninsula, of whom only six thousand have been identified. Twelve thousand were buried on the neighbouring islands, in Malta and in Egypt. The burial service was read and the "Last Post" sounded at all the cemeteries. Many instances have occurred of Turks having torn up and used wooden crosses in the temporary cemeteries as firewood.

### ANGLO-JAPANESE ALLIANCE.

London, Dec. 29. The "Times" states that the "Toronto Globe" opposes the renewal of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance, deeming that neither Power requires such an alliance for defensive purposes, pointing out the increasing friction between the United States and Japan concerning the status of Japanese settlers on the Pacific Coast, in which Britain and her Dominions are unconcerned, and declaring that Canada and Australia are more likely to side with the United States than with Japan should a choice be necessary. The "Globe" adds that Canada, Treaty or no Treaty, feels no obligation to help Japan against the United States. Statesmen of the British Empire safeguarding Britain's interests in the Far East will doubtless understand that Canada can be no party to any international agreement involving such great risk.

### JAPAN'S NAVY.

London, Dec. 29. The Japanese Ambassador, Baron Hayashi, in an interview declared that Japan must have for strategic purposes eight big battleships and eight big battlecruisers. This programme would take several years and even when completed the strength of the Japanese Navy would be less than half America's. Japan would welcome any proposal to reduce expenditure on armaments and would gladly co-operate hereafter with the other great Powers.

### FRENCH SOCIALIST CONGRESS.

Tours, Dec. 28. To-day's proceedings of the Socialist Congress were dramatically interrupted by the entry of the notorious Clara Zetkin, whom the President welcomed as Lenin's delegate. Zetkin replied in a violent speech declaring that French Socialists should become divided, so as to ensure ultimate union by getting rid of the moderates, and added it was time the proletariats of France, Germany and Britain came to the help of the Russian proletariat. President Frossard pointed out that Zetkin herself admitted that the German proletariat was responsible for the war, but Frossard hoped the latter would not be driven into a new war by the Treaty of Versailles.

### CONTROL OF OIL.

Paris, Dec. 29. A group of deputies introduced a Bill in the Chamber providing for stricter control of oil companies in France whereby companies must have their offices and accounts in French territory, subject to Government supervision. At least two-thirds of their stock must belong to French holders and two-thirds of their directors and high officials must be French.

### MORE GERMAN DUPPLICITY.

Berlin, Dec. 29. The latest kind of German evasion of pledges is revealed in a note to the German Government from the Inter-Allied Military Control Commission, pointing out that instead of demobilising the security police and amalgamating them with the civilian police the latter have really been absorbed in the former, while the security police are still armed with machine-guns and other firearms contrary to the Government's disarmament pledges.

### SHOCKING AEROPLANE ACCIDENT.

Capetown, Dec. 29. A ghastly aeroplane accident marred the Christmas holiday. An aeroplane, while pleasure tripping, crashed into a tall chimney, dropped to the ground immediately and burst into flames. All efforts to quell the conflagration were unavailing until the fire-brigade arrived. Four occupants, the pilot (Captain Hemming), two lady passengers and a child were killed.

### AMERICAN ECONOMY.

Washington, Dec. 30. The public demand for economy is reflected in the treatment accorded the Miscellaneous Estimates Bill by the Committee of the House of Representatives, which approved a total of \$421,000 less than asked by the Government departments. The largest reduction is \$147,000,000 in the amount asked by the Shipping Board Emergency Fleet Corporation, while \$300,000 asked for the enforcement of the liquor prohibition law is eliminated altogether.

### AMERICAN UNEMPLOYMENT.

New York, Dec. 29. It is forecasted that the official survey now being made will show 22 million unemployed in the United States. It is reported from Los Angeles that fifty thousand actors and others connected with the cinema industry are out of work owing to financial stringency, and the policy of producing fewer but better films.

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## THE YAUMATI TRAGEDY.

### Two Chinese in the Dock.

Two Chinese were brought up before Mr. G. N. Orme at the Police Court this morning, charged by Inspector Caygill with being implicated in the recent attempted armed robbery at Reclamation Street, in the prevention of which Sergeant Gardner lost his life through being shot and another European Sergeant wounded. The prisoners were remanded until next week.

### EARLIER SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(From Our Own Correspondents.)

### INFLUENZA IN THE STRAITS.

Singapore, Dec. 30. The death has occurred at Penang of Captain R. E. Ford, m.c., of the Asiatic Petroleum Co., from gastric influenza.

### THE RUBBER SLUMP.

Singapore, Dec. 30. An important meeting of rubber planters resolved unanimously to request the Government to enact a fifty per cent. restriction by legislation, also to stop granting land for rubber and to assist the estates by loans.

### THE FAMINE.

Shanghai, Dec. 30. A Hankow telegram states that twenty thousand famine refugees from Honan and Shantung are on the outskirts of Hankow facing death. The Foreign Committee here has voted \$50,000 worth of grain and \$10,000 worth of wadded garments to the northern provinces.

The U.S.S. New Orleans is playing the civilians an American football match on Sunday in aid of the Women's Famine Relief Society.

### SHANGHAI PROPERTY SALE.

Shanghai, Dec. 30. Mr. Edward Ezra has purchased from Messrs. Andersen Meyer the block between Foochow and Hankow Roads. He will tear down the present building and build up a modern business block. The price fetched by the property was \$402,000.

### RIZAL DAY.

Shanghai, Dec. 30. The Filipinos to-night are observing Rizal Day with an elaborate programme.

### TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 3s. 11 1/2d.

### LIGHTING-UP TIME.

Lighting-up time to-day is 5.45 p.m.

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Hongkong Theatre—9.15 and 11.15 p.m.  
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Hongkong Theatre—9.15 and 11.15 p.m.

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JAPAN'S KEROSENE.  
The average output of crude kerosene in Japan shows a slightly downward trend.THE MOTOR-CAR MART.  
Motor-cars valued at £5,000,000 have been sold at the show of motor-cars at Olympia (London).MINERAL DISCOVERY.  
Valuable phosphorous deposits have been discovered in an uninhabited island in the Loochoo Archipelago.JAPANESE INDUSTRIAL  
POSITION.

The depression of industries in general is still keeping the Japanese coal market comparatively inactive.

A NITRATE PRODUCERS'  
ASSOCIATION.

Nitrate companies representing ninety-eight per cent. of the nitrate production in Chile have joined the Nitrate Producers' Association.

A NEW CORPORATION.

A New York report states:—The Equitable Trust Company, in conjunction with several western banks, has formed a new banking corporation for the conduct of business in the Far East. The new corporation will be known as the Equitable Eastern Banking Corporation and has been organized with a capital of \$2,000,000.

"COVENTRY" HIGH-SPEED  
POWER CHAIN.

At the recent Machine Tool and Engineering Exhibition at Olympia great interest was evinced in the remarkable "Coventry" inverted-tooth, noiseless, high-speed powerchain transmission exhibited by the Coventry Chain Co., Ltd., of Spon End Works, Coventry. The chain works, with an effective smoothness, suggestive of extraordinary ease and strength.

THE PETROL RING.

The Times says:—The final report of the Sub-Committee appointed to inquire into the costs and profits of motor fuel is practically complete. It is understood that the Committee strongly hold that the prices of petrol are unjustifiably high, but recognise that in the absence of international action, which now appears out of the question, the combines can for some time to come control the situation. The Committee consider that the only course to pursue is to develop as rapidly as possible all the oil resources of the Empire, and, above all, to assist in every way the production of alternative fuels such as benzol and power alcohol.

SHANGHAI SHARE MARKET.

Messrs. A. D. Anderson &amp; Co.'s share circular dated Shanghai, 11th December, states:—The continued and accentuated fall in sterling exchange would, in the ordinary course of events, improve local share values by retaining investment funds in the port, but it is to be feared that no such improvement will, in this case, take place, since the vast quantities of foreign pierce goods, present and to arrive, will have to be financed by the banks, and money promises to be very tight throughout the winter. On 'Change there has been the usual dearth of business, and there are no features, in the few transactions recorded, to call for special notice. The only shares to show any improvement are those which, being practically sterling issues, automatically improve with the drop in silver. To-day's opening rate for T/T on London was 3/11 1/2 the Dollar rate being 71 5/8 Chinese Reorganisation Loan. The British issue has risen to 59 1/2 but recovered to 62, and the last quotation for French was 57, but the price has probably fallen a little since. The German issue is offered at 50, but of course the coupons are not encashable. S-N. Wing Wook Net Profit Certificates.—Latest quotation to hand, 29 10/12.

## BOOKS AND READERS.

The Novel of the Future.

Books may be roughly divided into three classes:—(1) the heavy, (2) the light, and (3) the special.

The heavy includes conventional biographies, such as the lives of politicians, scientific books, books of travel written by professional author-travellers, educational works, writes Mr. Kehle Howard.

The light consists almost entirely of novels. Books of verse and plays would also come into the second class.

The special means books written by non-professional authors who have one book in them on some subject or another—usually themselves—which they must publish or burst.

A few weeks before his sudden and very sad death I was privileged to have a long conversation with Mr. William Heinemann, universally admitted to be one of the astute English publishers. This article is based partly on the opinions, in no way private, expressed by Mr. Heinemann, and partly on my own fairly lengthy experience.

Heinemann startled me by being tremendously down on the conventional biography. He said nobody wanted to read the lives of people merely because they had occupied prominent public positions. The only lives worth publishing were those teeming with romance. In other words, I take it he would have preferred, as a publisher, the life of Mrs. Asquith as written by herself to a biography of, say, Sir William Harcourt compiled by a faithful secretary.

HEAVY AND LIGHT READING.

Of other heavy books, scientific volumes will always be in demand by serious libraries and students who wish—or are compelled—to study them. Books of travel have a certain limited sale. Educational works are

always with us, nor is this the only way in which, too frequently, they resemble the poor. However, pupils come and pupils go, whilst the authors of educational works continue to push their own wares for many years, and he is a wise student who buys the works of the men who is to examine him. A fairly harmless and, in my day at the Varsity, a generally recognised form of gentle compulsion.

Turning to light books, what hope is there for the novel? When you put that question to novelists, one or more will immediately reply: "My dear fellow, the yarn will never die. It is as old as the world, and will last as long."

That is doubtless true, but the

form in which the yarn reaches

the public varies from time to

time. Boccaccio's ladies and

gentlemen knew not the cinematograph. Jumping forward to the

days of Scott, Dickens and

Thackeray, you had then a con-

siderable fireside public. To-day

there are no leaping and crack-

ing fires, and nobody but

the old and enfeebled would

sit by them if there were.

The evening meal over, it

is up and out to bridge, dancing,

billiards, or the "pictures." When

are novels to be read?

HALF-GUINEA NOVELS.

Mr. Heinemann assured me

that the novel of the future would

not be sold at a profit for less

than 10s. 6d. Who is going to pay

10s. 6d. for the novel that comes

not by true observation, not by

sympathy with all things human,

but is bred by "Vanity-out" of

Cacophony Scribendi?

Nobody. I admit there is a

large class of people who do not

care a rush what they read

so long as they have a

"story" in front of them. Did I

not once see a young woman

hand 3s. to a railway porter with

instructions to bring her "three

books"? Oh, yes, there is that

class of person, but their skill in

days are over, and they bid them

in the nearest wool shop with a

smiling face.

If it follows, then, that the

plague of books is nearing its end

it is all to the good. Publishers

will have time to read the books

they publish, reviewers will have

time to read the books they

review, and authors who can

really write will get a fair

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## SPORTING GOSSIP.

## Peculiarity of Cricket in Australia.

F. B. Wilson, a former Captain of Cambridge University writes as follows:

The outbreak of typhus on board the Osterley is bad luck. Very fortunately it has not touched any members of the M.C.C. team. But very unfortunately it keeps our men in quarantine.

The atmosphere in Australia is very trying to young players. Someone once said that the ball, when you first saw it over there, was like a pea with a lot of mist going round it in the wrong direction. Now, when your second-rate batsman gets a hundred, he says "the ball looks as big as a football," or, if he is conceited, "like a balloon." It is curious that the greatest Australian batsmen have always come off over here, whereas some of our finest young players have gone thoroughly badly in Australia. In bowling, the atmosphere smothers the swerve, as George Hirst could tell you. And also, if you please, Frank Laver.

Australians have explained it by the simple theory that when they come to England they come home and that, therefore, they were twice the men they were in Australia. On the other hand, English visitors take an appreciable time to realise that Kangaroos are almost uncommon in the bigger cities. All our people are fit, but atmosphere is a wonderful thing, as the men said who had laughing gas for the first time and woke up crying. Most of our side have been abroad on different excursions, cricket and otherwise, and will get used to conditions fairly readily. Each of them should carry a copy of "White Fang" in his pocket.

## REAL TENNIS SURPRISE.

Real tennis, one of the greatest games in the world, presented us with a bad shock at Cambridge during the last week. E. M. Baerlein, easily the greatest amateur player in the world, with the exception of Jay Gould, junior, of course, played F. Covey, the professional champion, for Arthur Twinn's benefit. Arthur Twinn is an exceptionally good coach, a good player, and a man who served in the war, although his health was bad. Baerlein consented to play at 12, which seemed superlative odds. He was, however, entirely off his game, and only won eight games in three sets. Covey was magnificent. He set a pace that Mr. Baerlein could never hold, and played with brains, whereas Mr. Baerlein was always thinking of the stroke before, instead of the stroke to come. Covey's service was very good, and so he

always manoeuvred for the service side. Mr. Baerlein neglected to consider this gambit. Thinking it over, his play was too puristic to be true. If so, why so?

The Championships of the World on Hard Courts at Lawn Tennis—this is the easiest way to describe an anomaly—have been rather a disappointment at Queen's Club. There were no really serious competitors from abroad. The Frenchmen did not come near us. Gobert could have won on his head on his form of last year, if he had chosen to enter. P.M. Dawson was not fit enough to enter for the singles, and he alone of the competitors could have given Gobert a real match. That is, of course, with the exception of S. N. Doust. Doust, however, that great-hearted player, was far from fit and ought not to have been in the show at all.

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It is significant that the crowd at the International was only 25,000, while at Liverpool and Manchester the figures are given at 50,000 at each match. Here one gets a curious point in Association football. Is the love of the home club—if you call it that—to outweigh the opportunity of seeing the finest football that can be produced? Apparently it is. In that case, are Internationals worth playing? Emphatically, while the great clubs are struggling for superiority in the Leagues, they are not. It is no compliment to a side to say that they are only half a side without one man, but one knows perfectly well that that is a fact, and a frequent fact. After all, when everyone does what he likes and down tools if he feels rest would do him good, why not play the Internationals in mid-week? They could draw bigger crowds, make more money, and the players could ask for bonuses.

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HONGKONG, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1920.

### ANOTHER MILESTONE.

Another milestone on the long road of time is all but past. We are about to say "Good-bye" to 1920 and to welcome in a year that looks full of promising possibilities. As we look back upon the common experiences of the past year there is much for which we can be thankful, albeit there is a little also to merit disappointment. The world didn't have all it thought it was going to get, but it has come out fairly well on the right side. It has certainly come out better able to face the future by reason of its experience. Unfortunately, there are those among us who thrive on jitters, who can always find cause for gloom and worry; but there is room for very real thanks and optimism when we look at "what has been" and compare it with "what might have been."

The feature of the past year, internationally, has been a steady striving after world-wide peace and the settling of the problems born in the late war. And if there has not been complete success, there has been much purifying of the atmosphere. The nations of the world are getting a better understanding of real internationalism; Conferences of the old Allies have been important; and fairly frequent; additional Peace Treaties have been signed; and there is a tendency to exhibit the "get-together" idea. One of the most important happenings of the year has been the meeting of the Assembly of the League of Nations at which was discussed many vital questions affecting the peace of the world. And just as the old year is dying we have telegraphic news of the views that have been exchanged regarding the decreasing of naval armaments, in which matter Great Britain has taken a lead that should impress many other nations, especially the United States, whose active co-operation in the League of Nations is so highly desirable. Between nation and nation the world contains a better spirit than it did twelve months ago. Industrially and financially the year has been a disappointment. There was an expectation that the great trade boom of 1919 would extend to 1920 also, but that expectation has not been realized. The world's supply of goods would seem to be too large for the amount of money available, though by no means adequate to supply all the wants. The world is having its inevitable effect. The world still needs supplies, but it cannot afford to pay for them. And the result is a trade depression, unemployment and want—an object lesson, if anyone ever needed it, of the costliness of warfare apart from the direct cost of its conduct. Governments are burdened with war debts, peoples with high cost of living, high taxation and a depreciated currency. Time alone will right matters and the Governments of the world have a task before them in trying to do so. We in Hongkong have felt the effects of the depression, and we have had our local causes of depression, too. But the year ahead looks a little brighter. China will greatly help if she can, in great measure, compose her internal differences and become the consumer on her old scale. For the other nations of the world the only remedies are those of strict economy, of limiting unproductive expenditure, of reducing national debts and internal taxation. And the maintenance of peace is the prime essential.

As a Colony we have come through the year well. True, the closing months have brought grave trade problems and the present position is not over-bright. But there is every reason for confidence in the future. Big developments are promised for the Port within measurable time; the Government is showing a more considerate attitude towards commercial expansion and schemes are under way that will help to encourage the return of prosperity. The year has witnessed a greater interest on the part of the public in civic affairs and the recent Budget made provision for many desirable improvements. We feel that 1921 can be looked forward to as a year in which many of the trade troubles will be dissipated, a year in which the present progressive policy of the local Government will be continued, and a year that will bring the world a step nearer the realization of the hopes we fondly cherished during the dark days of war. Slowly, but surely, we are coming back into the full sunshine of a world at peace—a world prosperous and happy. It only needs a little patience.

### NOTES & COMMENTS.

#### Good-bye!

To-morrow there leaves for Home, after a period of useful service to the Empire, "a good old English gentleman" who will always have a warm place in the hearts of those with whom he has come in contact during his stay in Hongkong. We refer to Major General Ventris, who has just vacated the China Command, and who will now presumably return to well-earned retirement. After a strenuous career, including considerable active service, Major General Ventris went on the Retired List several years before the Great War broke out, but when the call of duty came he responded to it, though by weight of years he might have been entitled to think that his serving days were over. Then, when the war was still young, he came to Hongkong to take over the Command of the Forces in China, and the work he has done here, in a quiet but thorough manner, has been of the utmost benefit to the Empire. All that he has done cannot, of course, be told here, but we do know that he always held the confidence and high regard of officers and men alike—nay, even their affection. Considerate, kindly, ever courteous, with nothing of the stern, unreasonable disciplinarian about him, he yet upheld the dignity of his office and won popularity on all hands. He worked hard for the "Tommy," too, notably in the matter of the Service dollar, in which connection his unremitting efforts were highly appreciated. Socially, also, he has made innumerable friends, who will say good-bye to him with the keenest regret. The whole Colony, we are sure, is with us in wishing him very many happy and peaceful years in the Old Country, which he has served so ungrudgingly and so well.

#### Cementing the Entente.

Began in a quiet way, the scheme by which British towns have "adopted" towns in the devastated areas of North-East France has grown apace. Our people have experienced heavy pressure upon their purse, but this is an object of no common sort. The communities in the war-stricken territory suffered to a degree that can scarcely be recognised by those who have not witnessed the desolation wrought by the invading hosts. Save for air-raids and sporadic naval sorties—which sufficed to give non-combatants an inkling of the horrors of war—the towns of the Homeland were spared contact with actual hostilities. This scheme is a fitting way, therefore, of showing sympathy with our friends whose families and property were exposed to all the hazards of strife. Manchester has set the larger cities a fine example by launching a fund of £20,000 on behalf of Metziers, and Newcastle is raising £20,000 towards rehabilitating Arras, the first instalment having been handed to the Mayor of that battered place during his recent visit to the Tyne. No less commendable are such movements as the inauguration of a Shilling Fund for Paupers by leading Yorkshire Journals, representing Sheffield and of a Mile of Pennies Fund by a South Coast town. Armistries is one of the latest adoptions, and London, which has organised a special scheme in addition to adoptions by some of the component boroughs, has taken immortal Verdun under its wing as part of the capital's programme. Altogether the sponsorships make up a goodly list, and more are in contemplation. Some of the returned inhabitants are living under the most primitive conditions, dug-outs, huts, and similar improvised shelters being utilised for the time being, so that assistance is doubtless particularly welcome.

#### Treasure Trove.

Anything in the way of lost treasure, be it but a faint rumour, is sure of attracting attention. Innumerable must be the tales around which some legend has grown up. During the present century, a company was formed for recovering treasure alleged to be resting on the bed of the North Sea somewhere off the coast of Holland, where a ship with a reputed valuable cargo was sunk in Napoleonic times. Another enterprising party operated off the coast of Ireland in the hope of recovering bullion from a Spanish galleon. In both cases results will invite subscriptions for locating the "Kruger millions," suggested that if the treasure

### DAY BY DAY.

RING OUT OLD SHAPES OF FOUL DISEASE;  
RING OUT THE NARROWING LEST OF GOLD;  
RING OUT THE THOUSAND WARS OF OLD;  
RING IN THE THOUSAND YEARS OF PEACE.—Tennyson.

To-morrow, being New Year's Day, there will be no issue of the *Hongkong Telegraph*. To our readers we wish a thoroughly bright and happy New Year.

The West Point Police have arrested a Chinese suspected of being implicated in the armed robbery at Water Street.

Lieut. Col. Wyndham and the officers of the 2nd Wilshires are giving an "At Home" at the Hongkong Hotel to-night.

Amongst the passengers who arrived by the Empress of Japan yesterday were Dr. McKenoy, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Wakeman, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Rouse, Mr. J. W. Franks and Mr. R. A. C. North.

Last night the Bandman Comedy Company gave a delightful performance of "Nothing But the Truth." The season closes to-night with "The Rotters," which is being staged by special request.

The holidays having interrupted work in the local electro-mechanical establishments, there will be no issue of the usual *Telegraph* Pictorial Supplement this week. Next Saturday's illustrations, however, will comprise many of local interest.

### FOOTBALL.

#### League Tables to Date.

The League tables to date are as follows:—

#### HONGKONG LEAGUE: DIVISION I.

#### Goals.

Club.	P.W.L.D.	For A.M.
R.G.A.	8 5 1 2	13 8 12
Wiltshires	7 5 1 1	14 8 11
H. K. Club	8 4 2 2	13 3 10
Kowloon	8 3 2 3	9 7 9
Tamar	7 3 4 0	12 11 6
S.C.A.	7 1 3 3	4 9 5
H. K. Police	7 1 4 2	5 9 4
Ambrose	6 1 4 1	4 16 3
Carlisle	4 1 3 0	2 5 2

#### UNITED SERVICES LEAGUE.

#### Goals.

Club.	P.W.L.D.	For A.M.
H.M.S. Tamar	7 3 1 1	13 11
H.M.S. Hawkin	6 4 0 2	16 5 10
H.M.S. Ambr	9 3 4 2	19 14 8
Wiltshires	6 3 2 1	15 5 7
H.M.S. Car	6 2 2 2	5 6 6
R.G.A.	7 1 5 1	7 13 3
H.M.S. Cur	7 1 5 1	7 17 3

There are no League matches for to-morrow.

#### HARLECH CASTLE.

During excavations at Harlech Castle workmen discovered several rare coins dating back to the reign of Henry VIII.

was not mythical originally, it

has become so through having drifted outside of all bearing.

Just lately the story of the "Kruger millions" has been revived by the death in an obscure

part of London of a man said to be "J. E. Preece, of Pretoria,"

who is credited with having helped the Transvaal president to

escape from South Africa with a

large sum of money which was

said to have been lost en route.

It has not been proved that

Kruger took any such treasure,

and the old President needed no

one to assist him in escaping, as

he had plenty of time.

Some gold from the Rand mines may

have been shipped by somebody

at that period in a schooner

which was lost, but if so the gold

has apparently been lost too, as

an attempt at recovery was

abandoned a number of years ago.

All the same it may be that some

enterprising company-promoter

among our great-grandchildren

for recovering bullion from a Spanish

galleon. In both cases results will invite subscriptions for

locating the "Kruger millions."

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An additional gain in the

efficiency of the motor car, says

this writer, could be had from

the use of a higher gear

ratio and a fourth speed.

Under ordinary driving condi-

tions, he explains, a six-cylinder,

30-horse-power motor with a car

doing 20 miles an hour will make

from 700 to 1,000 revolutions a

minute, depending on the gear

ratio and the diameter of the

wheels. Under these conditions

the engine is operating at low

efficiency. If the car were

equipped with a fourth geared-up

speed for level roads, the motor

speed in this case could be

brought down to 500 R. P. M.

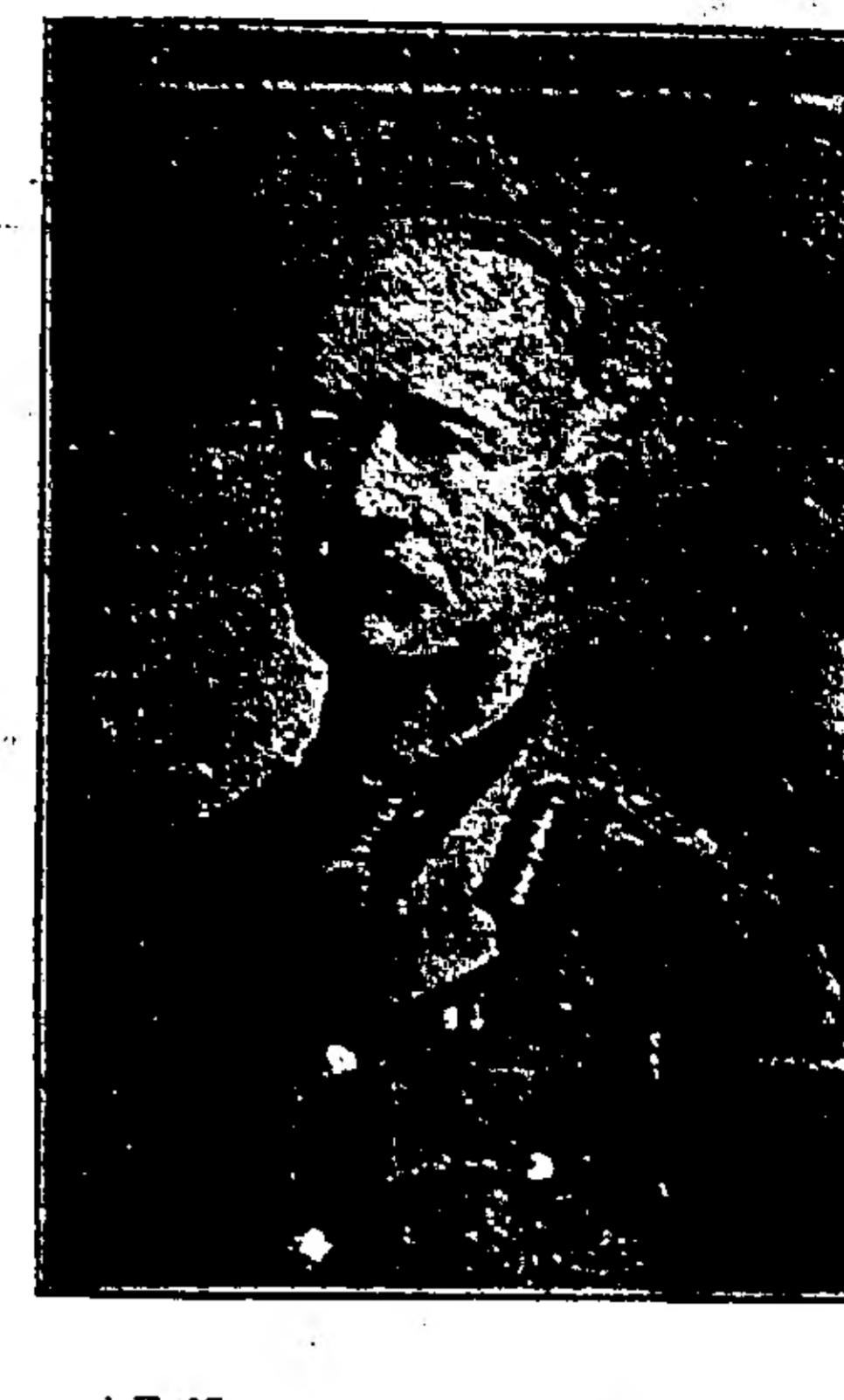
with a resultant marked gain in

efficiency."

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Major General VENTRIS.

Leaves for Home To-morrow.



Major General F. Ventris, C.B., who has just vacated the China Command, is leaving for England by the s.s. Sicilia, which sails at 10 a.m. to-morrow, after having held the Command of the Forces in China since July 17, 1915. General Ventris received his first Commission on February 11, 1875. He served in the Soudan Expeditions of 1881-85 and 1895-96, and for his services was mentioned in despatches and awarded a Brevet Lieutenant Colonely. He retired as a Major General on July 7, 1909. On the outbreak of war he was at once re-employed and until posted to the China Command was in command of a New Army Division in England. It was a happy selection to send General Ventris to China where his knowledge of the country as well as his ability as an administrator could be fully used. General Ventris carries with him the best wishes of all who have served under him; his unfailing courtesy and kindness of heart endeared him to all and it is the general hope that he may have many years of life to enjoy his well-earned rest.

At his special request General Ventris' departure from Hongkong will be private and there will be no guard of honour at the Pier.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

His Excellency gave a dinner party last evening in honour of Major General F. Ventris, C.B. The guests present were: H.E. Vice-Admiral Sir A. Duff, K.C.B., R.N.; Miss Dunn, Flag-Lieut. R. R. Stewart, R.N. H. E. Major General Sir G. Kirkpatrick, K.C.B.; Lady Kirkpatrick; Miss Kirkpatrick; Miss M. Kirkpatrick; His Honour Mr. Justice Gómez; Mrs. Gómez; Commodore W. Bowden-Smith, C.B.E., R.N.; Mrs. Bowden-Smith; Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, C.B.E.; Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, C.B.E.; Mrs. Kemp; Hon. Mr. C. McI. Messer; Hon. Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G.; Hon. Mr. W. Chatham, C.M.G.; Mrs. Chatham; Hon. Mr. E. R. Halifax, O.B.E.; Hon. Mr. E. H. Sharp, O.B.E.; Hon. Mr. P. H. Holroyd; Mrs. Holroyd; Hon. Mr. Lau Chu Pak; Hon. Mr. Ho Fook; Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Parr; Mrs. Parr; Hon. Mr. E. A. Irving; Capt. P. P. Legge, M. C.; Lieut. C. B. Ballard, M. C. Capt. C. B. Ballard, M. C. H.M.S. Colombo, called this morning at Government House and was received by His Excellency.

NEWS AND VIEWS.

Dearer Newspapers. — The *Newspaper World* states that notifications of increase of price have been made by nine more newspaper and periodical publications. The total of such advances for the year is 637.

Mr. W. J. Jones, the owner, and Captain Plummer master of the steamer Glendalough were arrested at Swansea recently at the instance of the Director of Public Prosecutions. This action follows on the judgment of the recent Board of Trade inquiry at Cardiff into the loss of that vessel.

William Bruce, M.A., M.D., LL.D., late Medical Officer of Health for Ross-shire, and formerly direct representative for Scotland on the Medical Council, died at the Castle, Dingwall, last month aged 85. Dr. Bruce made a special study of sciatica, and in 1913 published "Sciatica: A Fresh Study."

THE MYSTICS.

Clever Performers Coming. To evoke encomiums in all parts of the world and to receive unstinted praise from other magicians is surely a record that any artist would be proud of. Yet this is what Chefalo and Palermo, magicians, have done all over Europe, both continents of America, Africa and Australia and now they come to the East to conquer. These two leading exponents of the mystic art have been acclaimed wherever they have appeared as the last words in this wonderful art not only by the Press and public but by opposition artists.

The New York *World* describing their act, said: "The Pantages bill is headed by Chefalo and Palermo and their company of five persons who deliver the goods along the lines of mystery. Chefalo is one of the cleverest magicians seen hereabouts since the days of the real Herrmann and the act throughout possesses novelty. Palermo is beautiful, to say the least. In fact, after seeing Mlle. Palermo one is lost in equal admiration of her as a beauty and as a mistress of magic. There is also Chefalo, a master in magic, and their show is drawing crowds all the time as they deserve to do. An Amazon in build, as forely as the red, red rose, no one

can be expected to fathom the mystery of her magic while attention is thus distracted by her looks.

A description of the final trick will give an idea of the wonders the company perform. Chefalo

comes on garbed as a Chinaman, with the vacant framework of a huge drum. Over the head of it, apparently, he and Palermo place paper and it is then hoisted high above the centre of the stage. Palermo punches holes in the paper and extracts yards of bunting, then fires a pistol and out jumps Chefalo dressed alternately as John Bull or Uncle Sam, while his assistant is there in the role of a Chinaman. This is only one of numerous new and astounding feats while the whole entertainment is off the beaten track of the art generally given in such entertainment."

The company opens its season here to-morrow week. Booking is at Moutrie's.

BILLIARDS.

Garrison Inter-Mess League.

The results of the matches played during the week ending Saturday last are as follows:

Wills Scts., 5; R.G.A. Stonecutters, 1.

Garrison Mess, 4; Warders, 2.

R.G.A. Lyemun, 1; P.O's, 5.

R.A.M.C.I; H.K. Police, 5.

TAIKOO BALL.

A Happy Function.

The annual ball given by the Taikoo Recreation Club at their Club-house last night was celebrated by some three hundred members and friends. The accommodation, though somewhat limited, considering the number of those present, was utilised to fine purpose, and the decorative effects of the work of the Committee were revealed to be of a simple, but perfectly tasteful character. The approaches to the Club were festooned with coloured bunting, whilst over the entrance were brilliant illuminations leading to the hall where the work of the Decorations Committee was evident in the impressive range of decorations. The rear-room and supper rooms were located on the ground floor, and by ascending the stair-case the gorgeous effects of the illuminations of the Ball room came into view. Hero-coloured bulbs, Japanese lanterns, flags and greenery had been used to fine effect. At the head of the room, an ornate platform had been built for Professor Gonzales' band, whilst the long room situated adjacent to the Hall served as an ideal sitting-out place for dancers. The Decorations Committee had certainly excelled themselves all round.

The dance programme was as follows:

1.—Lancers ..... Country Girl  
2.—Fox Trot ..... Whist-piping  
3.—One Step ..... Cairo  
4.—Eight-one Step ..... Devil among the Tailors  
5.—Waltz ..... Moon Mania  
6.—Two Step ..... Swarze  
7.—Barn Dance ..... Happy go Lucky  
8.—Fox Trot ..... Su Long, O Long  
9.—Caledonians, Highland Home  
10.—One Step ..... La La Bo  
11.—Waltz ..... That naughty Waltz  
12.—Quadrilles ..... Newest Out  
13.—Fox Trot ..... The Love Nest  
14.—One Step ..... Down on the Farm  
15.—Lancers ..... The Girl from Kays  
16.—Fox Trot ..... Venetian Moon  
17.—Highland Scotch ..... Biggs o' Mare  
18.—Waltz ..... Kisses  
19.—Fox Trot ..... Dardanella  
20.—Eight-one Step ..... Devil among the Tailors  
21.—One Step ..... Sad Dunes  
22.—Waltz ..... Loyalty  
Extra 1.—One Step ..... Marie  
2.—Fox Trot ..... Tell me little Gipsy  
3.—Waltz ..... Carolina Sunshine

Amongst the guests invited were officers of the U.S.S. Wilmington, Captain and Mrs. Innes, Captain and Mrs. Summerville, Captain and Mrs. Anderson, and many others.

Dancing commenced at nine o'clock and continued until the early hours. Supper was served in the usual hospitable manner of the Club, whilst a refreshment buffet was also provided. Messrs. Wiseman's were the caterers.

The following was the menu: Turtle Cup, Pickled Fish, Boiled Beef, Corned Beef, Roast Turkey and Ham, Roast Pheasant, Game Pie, Asparagus, Mayonnaise Sauce, Salads, Potatoes, Fruit Compote and Cream, Peach Melba, Orange Jelly, Ice Cream, Dessert, Coffee.

The following were the various committees:

Ball Committee: Mr. J. McCubbin (Chairman), Mr. G. T. Edkins (President), Mr. D. Templeton and Mr. K. E. Greig (vice-Presidents).

Decoration Committee: Messrs. T. Granshaw, J. Simpson, R. Gray and T. Young.

Supper Committee: Messrs. G. McLeod, D. Austin, G. Grotto, J. White and W. Robertson.

Bar Committee: Messrs. W. Weir, M. O'Brien, J. Speirs, J. Sloan and F. Hoyle.

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## CAMERA NEWS



MEMORIAL TABLET AT VERDUN.

Marshal Pétain laying memorial tablet on site of 200,000 unknown dead on the battle-fields of France.



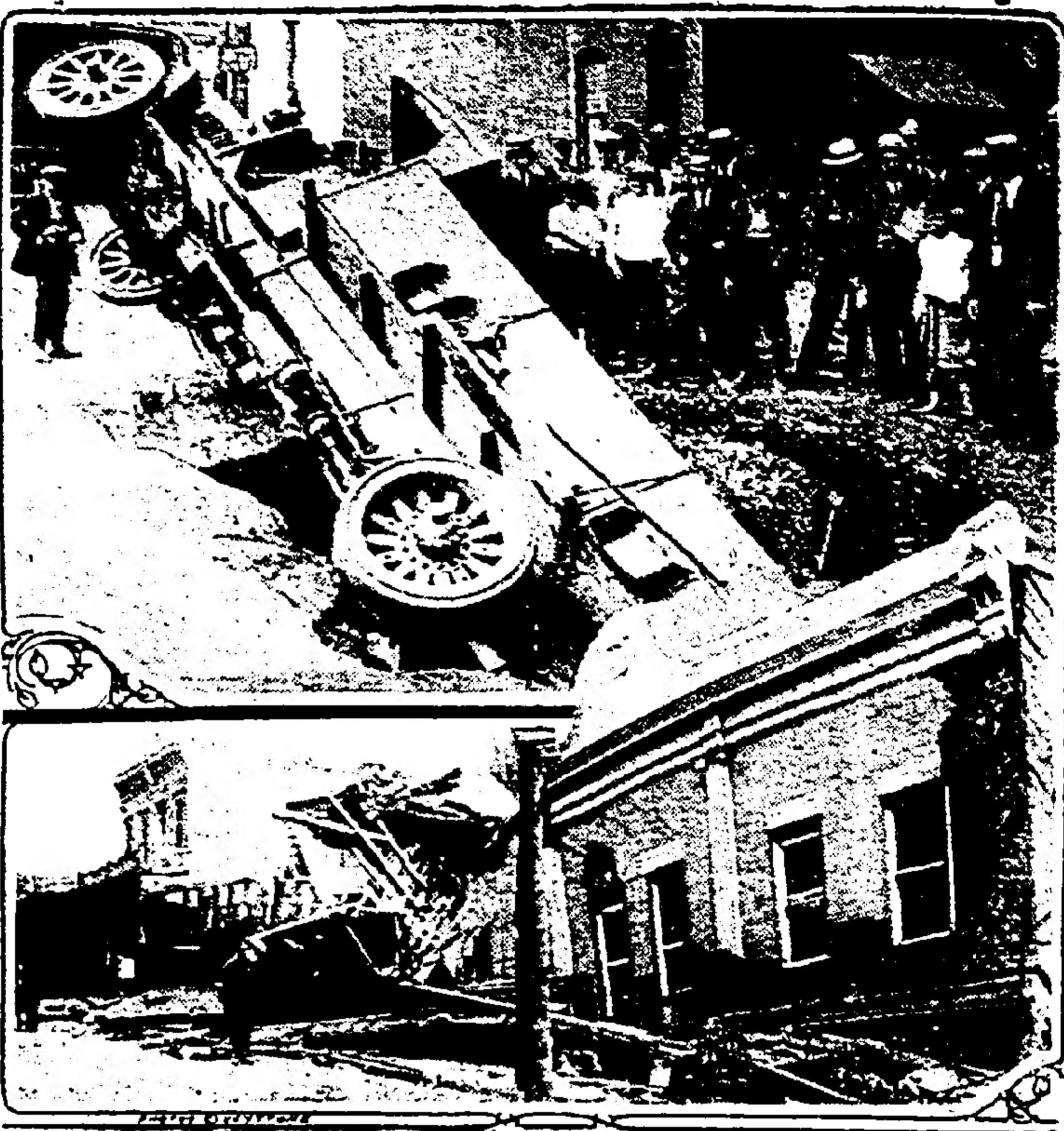
"JOHN D."

The most recent photograph of Mr. John D. Rockefeller, who is 81 years of age. He is here seen walking to the polling booth in the recent Presidential election.



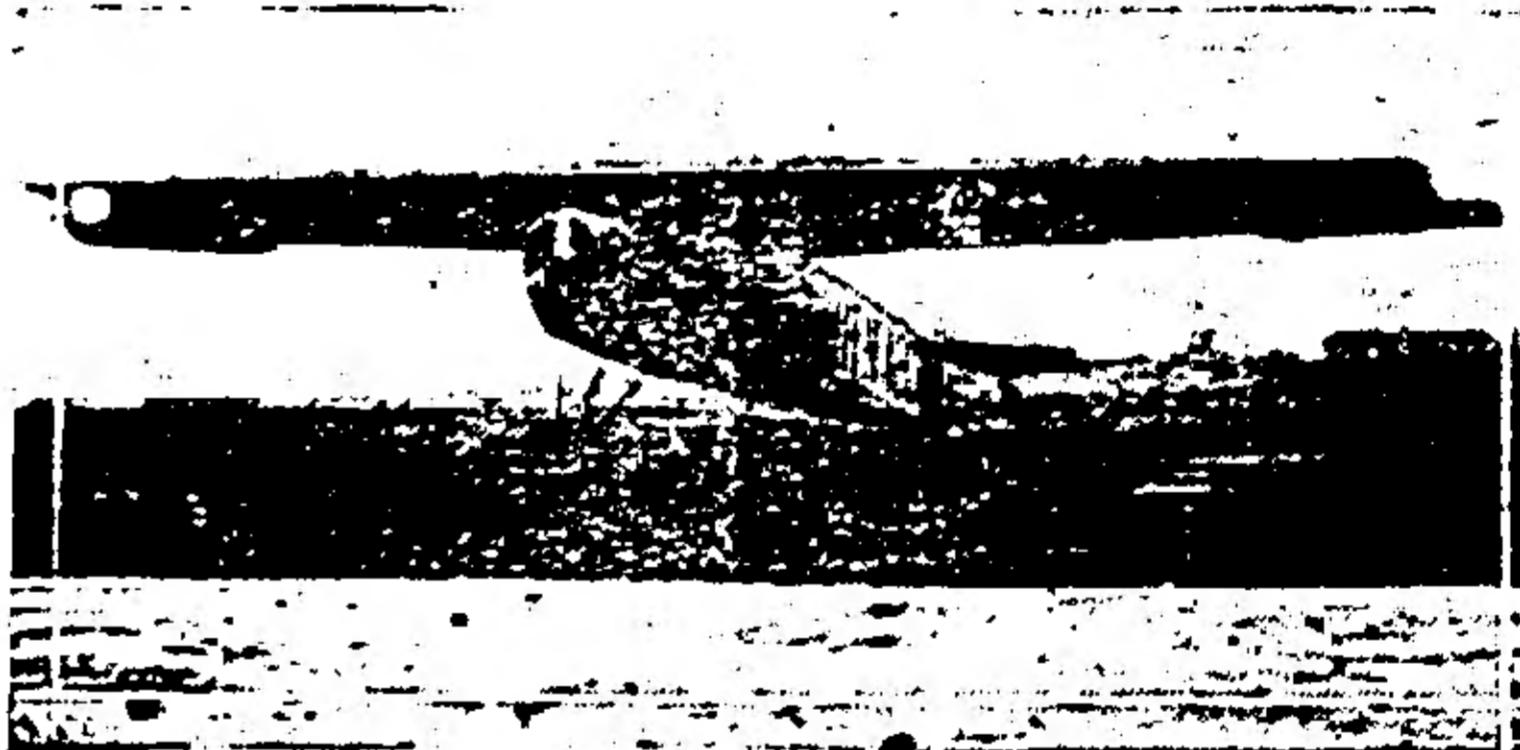
A REPUBLICAN TRIO.

Photo shows, left to right: President-elect Harding, Vice President-elect Coolidge, and Mr. Will Hayes, Chairman of the committee that brought about their election.



MINES CAUSE TROUBLE.

Coal mines which are being dug under streets of Scranton, U.S.A., are causing many accidents. Top photo shows truckload of coal which caved through pavement, and below are seen falling houses caused by coal mines under the streets.



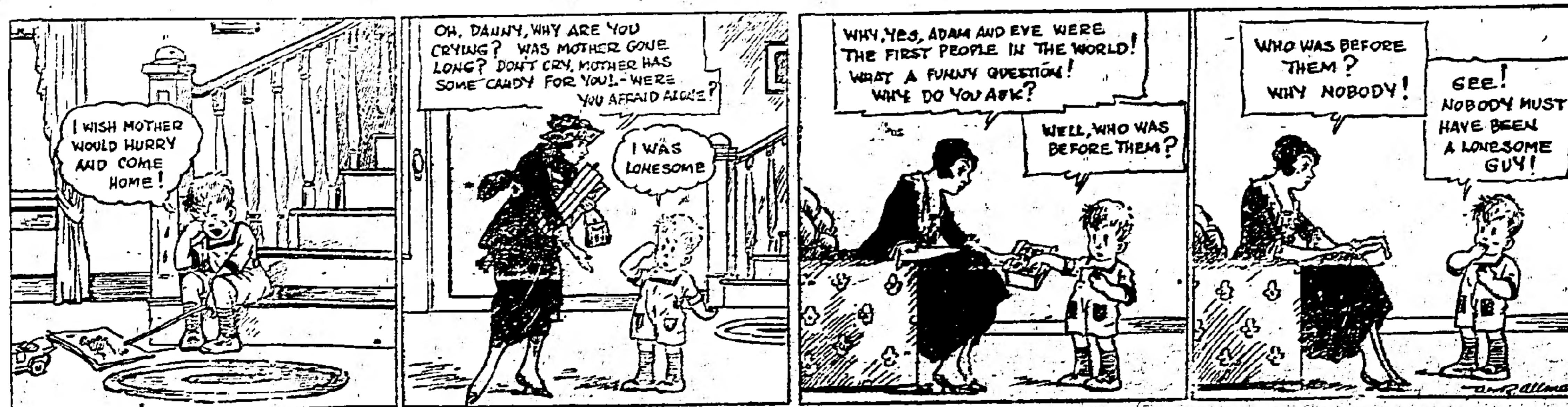
NEW COMMERCIAL AIRPLANE.

The first passenger Fokker commercial monoplane to arrive in England from Holland is attracting much attention. The machine made the flight from Amsterdam, Holland, to Croydon, England, in 3 hours on 30 gallons of petrol. It attained a height of 15,000 feet.

DOINGS OF THE DUFFS

- Danny Felt Sorry For Him.

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## LITTLE FOLKS' CORNER.

## ADVENTURES OF THE TWINS.

## PRICKLES PORCUPINE—HIS STORE.

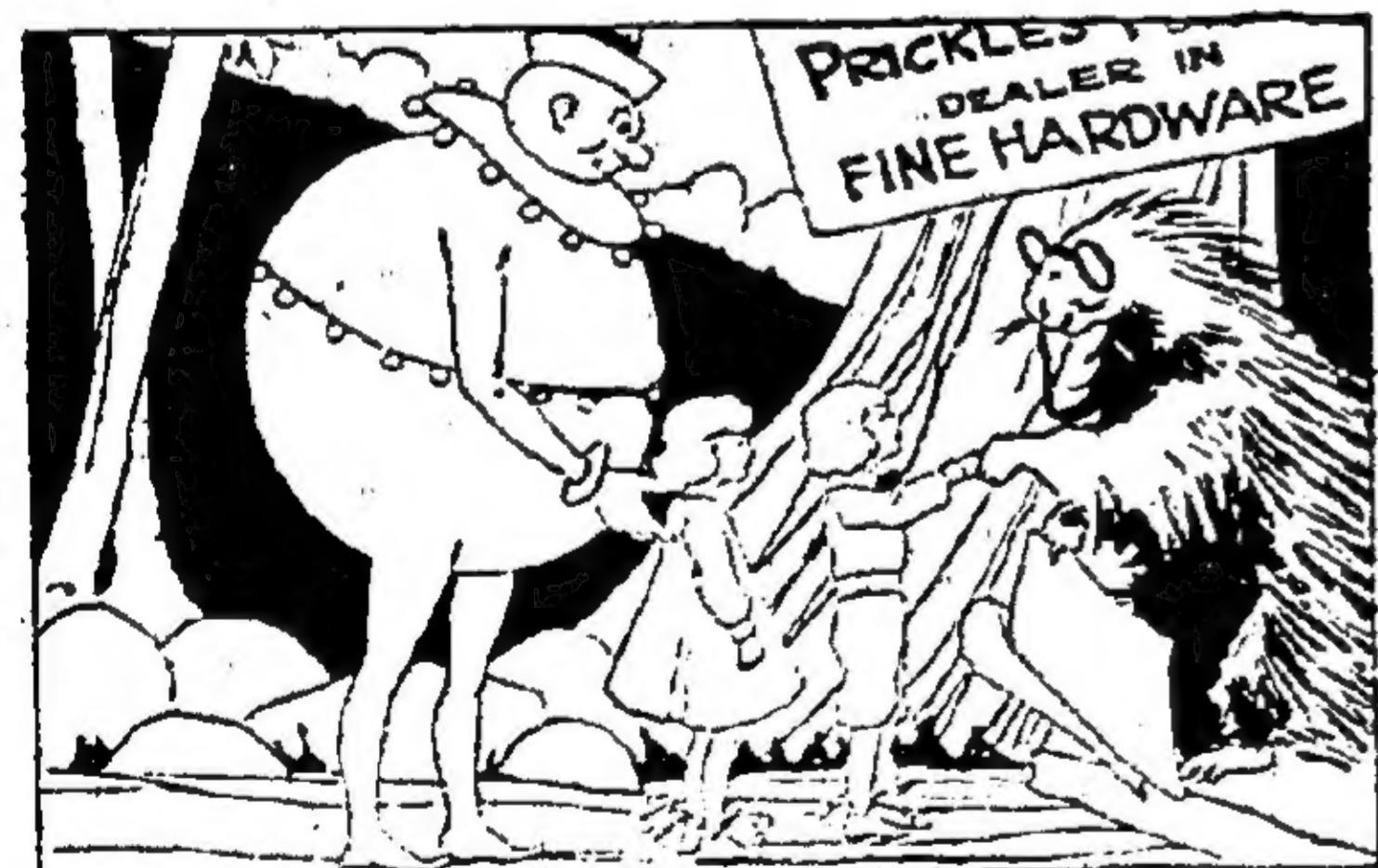
"Prickles Porcupine always pays on time," remarked Tingaling to the twins, "so we'll all go around to his house now. Prickles keeps a store underneath the old red oak." So they set their faces in the direction Prickles lived, and, after walking about an hour, all but 55 minutes, they came to a little hill covered with big stones and a few trees. They could see Prickles' sign quite plainly tacked up over his doorway:

## PRICKLES PORCUPINE

Dealer in Fine Hardware.

"Well well," said Prickles putting down his newspaper, "Just look who's here!" And he held out a rather thorny paw to shake hands.

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made another visit to His Honour, they would slip their mittens into their pockets before starting.

"Can't sell you anything, can I?" asked Prickles.

"Do you have any balloons?" asked Nick.

"Ha ha! That's not hardware, that's software," laughed the funny storekeeper. "No, son, I don't handle them. They'd burst like shooting crackers if I touched them."

"What do you sell? asked the little boy curiously.

"Collanders principally, although I also specialize in salt shakers, pepper dusters and watering pots."

Suddenly Tingaling exclaimed, "Why, Prickles, what on earth is the matter with your ceiling? It's as full of holes as a Swiss cheese!"

"Oh," explained the other. "I just fell out of bed the other night."

"And your wall!"

"I got a little dizzy one day and leaned against it."

"And your floor!"

"I'm doing gymnastics to keep from getting too fat. I roll across if twice a day."

Tingaling didn't say anything, but he did something. He wrote beside Prickles' name in the rent book. "Rent doubled to cover re-

(To be continued on Monday)

## EXCHANGE

(Opening Rate: closing Rate on Page 11),  
SELLING.

T/T	3/2
Demand	3/2 3/16
30 days	3/2 5/16
60 days	3/2 7/16
4 m/a	3/2 9/16
T/T Shanghai	Nom.
T/T Singapore	137
T/T Japan	116
T/T India	218
Demand, India	218
T/T San Francisco	555
& New York	555
T/T Java	175/4
T/T Marks	Nom.
T/T France	9.55
Demand, Paris	

## BUYING.

4 m/a, L/C	3/4
4 m/a, D/P	3/4 3/8
6 m/a, L/C	3/4 3/8
30 days, Sydney and Melbourne	3/5 3/8
30 days, San Francisco and New York	5/7 5/8
4 m/a, Marks	Nom.
T/T Bombay	Nom.
Demand, Germany	Nom.
Demand, New York	56
T/T Calcutta	Nom.
Demand, Calcutta	Nom.
On Yokohama	116
Demand, Manila	125 Nom.
Demand, Singapore	137
On Haiphong	Nom.
On Saigon	66 1/2
Sovereign	Nom. 6.20
Gold Leaf per Tael	41 1/4
Bar Silver, ready	41 1/4
forward	41 1/4
Bank of England rates	77
New York/London	3.52 3/4

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10	par
5	2 1/2 dia.

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SHANGHAI &amp; Kobe Fookang Thur. 6th Jan. at 11

SHANGHAI Hopsang Thur. 6th Jan. at 11

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### POST OFFICE.

#### New Year Holidays.

The Post Office will be open on Saturday, the 1st Jan. from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. only. There will be one collection and one delivery of ordinary correspondence as on Sunday and one delivery of Registered Correspondence at 9 a.m. The Money Order Office will be entirely closed. The District Post Offices will be open from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. and from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. with the exception of Kowloon Office, which will be open from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. only, and Sheungwan Office, which will be open from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. and from 5.30 p.m. to 8 p.m. There will be one delivery from District Offices at noon.

Telegraphic communication with Gay Rock Lighthouse is interrupted.

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below, unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

### INWARD MAILS.

Shanghai—Per SHANTUNG, 1st Jan.  
Shanghai—Per AMAZONE, 2nd Jan.  
Straits—Per KOTSU M., 2nd Jan.  
Shanghai—Per NINGPO, 2nd Jan.  
Straits & Calcutta—Per SANUKI M., 3rd Jan.  
Japan—Per TAKAOKA M., 5th Jan.  
Japan and Shanghai—Per ATSUIA M., 6th Jan.  
Straits—Per YOKOHAMA M., 6th Jan.  
Calcutta—Per DUNLOP M., 6th Jan.  
Yangtze River—Per HANGKOW M., 10th Jan.

### OUTWARD MAILS.

To-morrow.  
Japan—Per DJIPANAS, 9 a.m.  
Swatow, Shanghai & N. China—Per CHOYSANG, 9 a.m.  
W. H. Wei, Chefoo & Dairen—Per YUNNAN, 9 a.m.  
Shanghai and North China—Per TEAN, 9 a.m.  
Sunday, 2nd Jan.  
Swatow, Amoy and Keelung—Per AMHSIA M., 9 a.m.  
Saigon—Per TELEMACHUS, 9 a.m.  
Saigon—Straits, Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt, and Europe via Marseilles—Per AMAZON Reg. 9 a.m.  
Letters 9 a.m.  
Monday, 3rd Jan.  
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per HALLOONG, 11 a.m.  
Tuesday, 4th Jan.  
Swatow, Shanghai & N. China—Per KOON SANG, 5 p.m.  
Amoy, Shanghai & N. China—Per SHANTUNG, 11 a.m.  
Swatow and Bangkok—Per CHENGTO, 8 a.m.  
Wednesday, 5th Jan.  
Shanghai & N. China—Per HOPSANG, 5 p.m.  
Hoihow & Haiphong—Per LOK SANG, 9 a.m.  
Shanghai, N. China, & Japan—Per FOOKSANG, 5 p.m.  
Philippines, Sandakan, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island—Per TAI YUEN, Reg. 145 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m.  
Thursday, 6th Jan.  
Swatow, Shanghai & N. China—Per WINGSANG, 5 p.m.  
Shanghai & N. China—Per SINKIANG, 11 a.m.  
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow—Per HAICHING, 11 a.m.  
Friday, 7th Jan.  
Shanghai, North China, Japan via Canada, United States Central, & South America & Europe via Vancouver—Per SUMSANG, 1 p.m.  
Correspondence, Weather, &c. For MONTEAGLE, 10.30 a.m.

### CHURCH SERVICES.

A CHARGE OF ONE DOLLAR IS MADE FOR ALL SERVICES UNDER THIS HEADING.  
Union Church—The Rev. J. S. Kunkle, Canton, will officiate at both the Forenoon (11 a.m.) and Evening (6 p.m.) Services. At the end of the Morning Service there will be the Communion Service.  
First Church of Christ, Scientist, MacDonnell Road—Sunday 11.15 a.m.; Wednesday 5.30 p.m.  
Wesleyan Methodist Church, Wan Chai, (Opposite Royal Naval Hospital) Divine Services, Friday evening 11 o'clock. Watch night Service. Sunday Morning 10.15. Subject: "Life's Handicap"; evening 6.00. Subject: "A lucky fellow." Preacher: Rev. C. Houston Potts, H. C. F. 3 p.m. Children's Service.  
Wesleyan Sailors & Soldiers Home (corner of Arsenal Street, Praya East) 3 p.m. P. S. A. Speaker: Sgt. Francis, 8.15 p.m. Gospel Meeting conducted by the Chaplain.  
Church Parade of 1st Wan Chai Troop Boy Scouts at 10.15 a.m. at Wesleyan Church. Holy Communion at close of Evening Service.

### Saturday, 8th Jan.

Shanghai & North China—Per NINGPO, 11 a.m.  
Straits and Bangkok—Per FOOSHING, 1 p.m.  
Sunday, 9th Jan.  
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per HAIHONG, 9 a.m.  
Tuesday, 11th Jan.  
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Bombay and Aden—Per DILWARA, 11 a.m.  
Wednesday, 12th Jan.  
Shanghai, North China, Japan via Canada, United States Central, & South America & Europe via Vancouver—Per SUMSANG, 1 p.m.  
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